

SENATE WATCH

A summary of today's Senate actions; published daily when the Senate is in session.

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BUDGETS

SB 280 (CLARKE)

State Police budget

- The Senate rejected the 1st Conference Report to SB 280 [RC 441: 0 yes, 37 no].
- The Senate adopted the 2nd Conference Report to SB 280 given IE [RC 446: 21 yes, 17 no]. CLARKE: Oppose this budget, in part, because it closes three State Police posts and cuts funding for training State Police cadets.

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

SB 470 (Cropsey)

SB 470 would extend for two additional years court fees enacted in 2003. Combined, those fees bring in an estimated \$2.7 million per year.

• The Senate concurred with the House changes to SB 470 [RC 442: 37 yes, 0 no]. Immediate Effect was given to the bill.

SBs 548-50 (Johnson)

SB 548, SB 549 and SB 550, would each, beginning October 1, 2005, earmark funds to the Secretary of State Transportation Administration Collection Fund (TACF). SB 548 would direct funds collected from the sale of records of state identification cards to the Fund. SB 549 would amend the vehicle code and SB 550 would earmark funds from the sale of ORV, snowmobile and watercraft registrations records. Currently revenues from these sources are used to pay the expenses incurred by the secretary of state in providing this service and then any surplus goes to the General Fund. These bills, if enacted, would mean any revenues above expenses would stay in the Fund for use by the Secretary of State in future years.

- The Senate concurred with the House changes to SB 548 [RC 443: 38 yes, 0 no]. Immediate Effect was given to the bill.
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